Holidays for Hotel Workers.

Q.—871. Sri R. ANANTARAMAN (Chamarajapet).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number of cases that were filed against the proprietors of hotels under Section 16 of the Mysore Shops and Establishments Act since 1948, in the Corporation area of the City of Bangalore, for not allowing workers' holidays;

(*b*) the number of such cases that ended in conviction (yearwar statements to be given);

(*c*) whether they are aware that the workers are tempted to work even during holidays by accepting extra remuneration;

(*d*) whether it would not be feasible if the above section is so amended as to get the hotels, etc., remain entirely closed on one day of the week?

A.—Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Minister for Law and Education).—

(*a*) *City Area*:

(i)	1948-53	...	Nil.
	1953-54	...	4

Civil Area:

(ii)	1948-50	...	Nil.
	1950-51	...	1
	1951-52	...	Nil.
	1952-53	...	2
	1953-54	...	2

(*b*) (i) Out of four cases in the City area three ended in conviction and the other one is pending in the Court.

(ii) All the cases launched in the Civil area ended in conviction.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) Does not arise in view of answer to sub-question (*c*).

Sri R. ANANTARAMAN.—Who are those that have been convicted under the Mysore Shops and Establishments Act since 1948? What are the names of those hotel proprietors?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—I want notice.

Sri R. ANANTARAMAN.—How many Inspectors are you having in Bangalore City Corporation area to supervise under this Act?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—Notice.

Sri R. ANANTARAMAN.—If it is less, will you kindly see that some more Inspectors are appointed and that proper inspection is made of these hotels?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—I feel that the present number is sufficient. There are sufficient number of Inspectors.

Sri R. ANANTARAMAN.—Are you aware that though the hotels are expected to remain entirely closed one day of the week, the workers are tempted to work even during holidays by accepting extra remuneration and thus the hotels do not remain closed at all?

Mr. SPEAKER.—There is the answer (*c*).

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—It has not come to my notice.

Sri R. ANANTARAMAN.—Are you aware that representations have been made by the Rastriya Hotel Association to the Labour Commissioner that hotels do not remain closed at all?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—I do not know if they have been given to the Labour Commissioner.

Boys' High School, Tiptur (Accommodation).

Q.—906. Sri T. G. THIMME GOWDA (Tiptur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether they are aware that the housing accommodation in the Boys' High School is absolutely insufficient and both the pupils and staff are put to much hardship;

(*b*) whether they will examine the matter and expedite the sanction and building of an extension to the present building?

A.—Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Minister for Law and Education).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The matter is receiving attention.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಜಿ. ತಿಮ್ಮೇಗೌಡ.— 4-5 ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಹಿಂದೆ 300 ಮಂದಿ ವಿದ್ಯಾರ್ಥಿಗಳ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ ಇದ್ದುದು ಈಗ 600 ಕ್ಕೆ ಜಾಸ್ತಿಯಾಗಿರುವುದು ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದಿದೆಯೇ ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.— Yes, Sir.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಜಿ. ತಿಮ್ಮೇಗೌಡ.— ಇಷ್ಟಾದರೂ ಸಹ ಅದನ್ನು ಬದಲಾವಣೆಗೊಳಿಸದಿರುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾರಣ ವೇನು ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.— The matter is receiving attention. I cannot say why it was not taken up previously.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಜಿ. ತಿಮ್ಮೇಗೌಡ.— ಈ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಅಂದಾಜು ಎಷ್ಟಕ್ಕೆ ತಯಾರಾಗಿದೆ ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.— Rs. 34,000.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಜಿ. ತಿಮ್ಮೇಗೌಡ.— ಹಾಗಾದರೆ ಬರುವ ವರ್ಷವಾದರೂ ಈ ಕೆಲಸ ಪ್ರಾರಂಭಿಸುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.— It has gone to the signature of the Superintending Engineer.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The next two Questions Nos. 958 and 959 may be taken up together.

Bangalore Woollen, Cotton and Silk Mills (Provision of amenities to workers.)

Q.— 958. Sri D. VENKATESH (Gandhinagar).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

whether the Management of the Bangalore Woollen, Cotton and Silk Mills Company, Limited, has complied with the requirements of canteen as contemplated under Section 46 of the Factories Act LXIII of 1948 and the rules framed thereunder ?

A.— Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Minister for Law and Education).—

The Management is maintaining a canteen, but it does not satisfy the requirements of Section 46 of the Factories Act, 1948 and the rules framed thereunder. This is due to want of space for constructing a canteen according to requirements of law.

Q.—959. Sri D. VENKATESH (Gandhinagar).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

whether they are aware that the Management of the Bangalore Woollen, Cotton and Silk Mills Company, Ltd,. has ignored completely the implementation of Section 47 regarding shelters, rest rooms and lunch rooms and the rules framed thereunder ?

A.—Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Minister for Law and Education).—

Shelters and rest rooms have not been provided by the Management for want of accommodation. They have assured that as soon as the site is granted to them for which they have deposited Rs. 67,000, they would provide shelters, rest rooms, etc., according to the prescribed standard.

So far as provision of lunch room is concerned, they are at present using a portion of the Dining Hall attached to the canteen as a lunch room.

Sri D. VENKATESH.—May I know whether there is any provision for protecting the interests of employers if they do not comply with the requirements of section 46 of the Factories Act ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.— Unless he gives reasonable cause, I do not think there is any other protection.

Sri D. VENKATESH.—It is stated in the answer 'due to want of space for constructing a canteen according to requirements of law.' Is such excuse provided for in the Act ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.— It is no excuse. If what is said is true, and I believe it is true, it is a reasonable cause and it requires time.

Sri D. VENKATESH.—May I know whether the Government are aware that the Management have got constructed motor shed and other amenities required for them, inside the premises ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.— I am not aware of it.

Sri D. VENKATESH.—May I know whether the Corporation of Bangalore have already granted a site for the construction of canteen by the Management and whether the Management has applied for it ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—There is the answer. They have deposited Rs. 67,000.